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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Small Entity	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
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5 Applicant: Wen-Sung Tsai Examiner: Luu, Matthew
 Filing Date: 02/07/2002 Art Unit: 3663
 Serial No.: 09/683,729 Docket No.: CEIP0037USA

10 Title: Display Device Capable of Dynamically Compensating Effect of
 Environmental Light

 To: Commissioner for Patents
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15 Subject: Amended Appeal Brief

 Please find attached an amended Appeal Brief in accordance with 37 C.F.R.
1.192 in response to the Office action mailed 4/11/2003 and in response to the Office
20 communications mailed 05/27/2005 and 10/11/2006 indicating the need for a
 corrected appendix to the appeal brief (Paper No. 11). Claim 13 has now been
 indicated as cancelled, and therefore the appeal of claim 13 is withdrawn.

AMENDED APPEAL BRIEF

This is an appeal in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.192 in response to the Office action mailed 4/11/2003 rejecting claims 6, 7, 9, 10, and 12-14 of application serial no.
5 09/683,729.

This amended appeal brief indicates that claim 13 has now been cancelled, and therefore the appeal of claim 13 is withdrawn.

10 REAL PARTY IN INTEREST (37 C.F.R. 1.192(c)(1))

The real part of interest is the assignee: Compal Electronics, Inc., No. 581, Jui-Kuang Rd., Neihu, Taipei, Taiwan R.O.C.

15 RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (37 C.F.R. 1.192(c)(2))

None.

STATUS OF CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.92(c)(3))

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Claims 1-5, 8, 11, and 13: Cancelled

Claims 6, 7, 9, 10, and 12-14: Rejected

25 Claims 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, and 14: Appealed

STATUS OF AMENDMENTS (37 C.F.R. 1.192(c)(4))

No amendment has been filed subsequent to final rejection.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION (37 C.F.R. 1.192(c)(5))

The invention, as claimed and as illustrated in Figs.1 and 2, provides a plurality of light sensors 20 disposed around a screen 14 of a display device 12 of a computer system 10 (paragraph 0018). The sensors 20 are connected to a controller 30. The sensors 20 measure and output detecting signals 21 corresponding to the brightness and color of ambient light around the screen 14. The controller 30 includes a color analyzer 36 that analyses the detecting signals 21 and controls a gray level adjusting device 32 to output adjusting signals 29R, 29G, 29B to light sources 34R, 34B, 34G of the display device 12 so as to adjust a color balance of an image on the screen 14 (paragraph 0022).

ISSUES (37 C.F.R. 1.192(c)(6))

Issue 1: Whether claims 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, and 14 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Hansen (US 6,147,664) in view of Hirose et al. (US 5,032, 828).

GROUPING OF CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.192(c)(7))

The appealed claims 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, and 14 can be grouped.

ARGUMENT (37 C.F.R. 1.192(c)(8))

Re: Issue 1

Appealed claim 1 recites: "a plurality of sensors for detecting different colors of ambient light and generating corresponding detecting signals". In contrast, the photodiode 16 taught by Hirose in US 5,032,828 does not and should not measure ambient light and thus cannot be reasonably combined with the teachings of Hansen in US 6,147,664 to make the claim 1 unpatentable.

Hirose's photodiode 16 is adapted to measure light emitted by a light emitting element 15 (Fig.1). It is important to note that in all Hirose's of embodiments (see

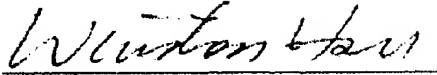
Figs.1, 5, and 6; Fig.1 is representative) that comprise a photodiode, an LCD panel is located between the photodiode and the light emitting element. As such, the photodiode 16 measures light emitted by the light emitting element 15 and passing through the LCD panel 12 (col.3 lines 18-23). In effect, the photodiode 16 and the light emitting element 15 form a closed loop calibration device for measuring the effect of the LCD panel 12 on light emissions of the CRT 11. The closed loop nature of Hirose's device is exemplified by Fig.7, which illustrates an embodiment without a photodiode or light emitting element.

Hirose does not disclose measuring ambient light. The applicant contends that since Hirose's closed loop is designed to measure the effects of the LCD 12 on light emitted by the CRT 11, preventing stray ambient light from being measured by the photodiode 16 would be desirable to prevent unknown effects on performance. That is, the effects of ambient light is neither directly addressed nor speculated on by Hirose. Furthermore, given the arrangements shown in Figs.1, 5, and 6 of Hirose, it would be apparent to one of ordinary skill in the art that the photodiode should be prevented from measuring ambient light. Thus, the applicant contends that Hirose discloses no motivation for using the photodiode 16 to measure ambient light, and further, suggests against such. One of ordinary skill in the art would not be motivated by Hirose to modify the photodiode 16 to measure ambient light.

In addition, Hansen does not suggest that another type of sensor, such as a color light sensor, could be used in place of the ambient light sensor 580 (brightness sensor, col. 14 lines 15-32). Thus, there is no motivation for one of ordinary skill in the art to incorporate Hirose's photodiode into Hansen's portable computer 550 of Fig.7.

The examiner does not indicate the motivation used to combine the teachings of Hansen and Hirose besides that provided by the applicant. Thus, these references were not considered as a whole and where combined in hindsight.

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APPENDIX – LIST OF CLAIMS UNDER APPEAL

6. A display device for a computer system comprising:
- a screen for displaying a picture image for a user in front of the screen;
 - 5 a plurality of sensors for detecting different colors of ambient light and generating corresponding detecting signals; and
 - a controller for adjusting color levels of the picture image displayed on the screen according to the detecting signals.
- 10 7. The display device of claim 6 wherein each of the sensors is capable of detecting a brightness of light emitted to a sensing surface of the sensor.
9. The display device of claim 7 wherein the controller adjusts a brightness of the picture image according to the detecting signals.
- 15 10. The display device of claim 9 wherein when the brightness of light detected by the sensors is greater than a predetermined value, the controller will correspondingly increase the brightness of the picture image.
- 20 12. The display device of claim 6 wherein the controller adjusts the color levels of the picture image so as to compensate for the ambient light color levels and to generate an expected picture image.
- 25 14. The display device of claim 6 wherein the computer system is a portable computer, and the display device is a liquid crystal display installed on the portable computer.